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SUBJECT: DIALOGUE WITH JOURNALISTS

REF: BRUSSELS 1607

1. WE TOO HAVE BEEN TALKING TO BOTH JOURNALISTS AND ACADEMIC AUDIENCES IN RECENT DAYS AND ARE IN BASIC AGREEMENT WITH THE POINTS YOU ARE MAKING. HOWEVER, WITH FRENCH AUDIENCES WE ARE, IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, LAYING SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT EMPHASIS AND EVEN STRESSING DIFFERENT POINTS WITH THE SAME BASIC OBJECTIVE IN MIND; I.E., TO INCREASE UNDERSTANDING OF U.S. POSITIONS.

2. RE YOUR PARAGRAPH 2, WE AGREE BUT ARE ALSO STRESSING THAT BASIC U.S. DISCOMFORT (NOT OBJECTION) TO EC/ARAB INITIATIVE AT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THIS TIME IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT IT COULD DISRUPT U.S.

PEACE EFFORTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IN THIS CONNECTION WE ARE ALSO MAKING HEAVY USE OF ART HARTMAN'S RECENT CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY TO THE EFFECT THAT EUROPEANS GROSSLY UNDERESTIMATED THE POTENTIAL FOR CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE USSR DURING THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. WE HAVE FOUND AUDIENCES CONFRONTED WITH THIS LINE IMPRESSED.

3. WE ARE IN TOTAL AGREEMENT WITH OUR POINT NUMBER 3.

4. RE YOUR NUMBER 5, WE ARE ALSO POINTING OUT, AS WE BELIEVE SECRETARY KISSINGER IS TOO, THAT U.S. OBJECTION TO EUROPEAN IDENTITY IN EXCLUSIVITY FROM THE U.S. STEMS MOSTLY FROM THE REPEATED INABILITY OF THE EC TO REACH AGREEMENT ON INTERNAL MATTERS (I.E., REGIONAL POLICY, ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION, INDUSTRIAL POLICY, ENERGY POLICY) WHEREAS RARE EXAMPLE OF EC UNITY ON ARAB INITIATIVE, AT VERY LEAST COMPROMISES U.S. PEACE EFFORTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THUS CANNOT NOW BE VIEWED AS CONSTRUCTIVE MOVE. ON RELATED POINT WE ALSO ARE STRESSING THAT STRONG EC, EVEN WITH DISTINCT IDENTITY NEED NOT BE INCOMPATIBLE WITH KIND OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT U.S. SEEKS WITHIN ATLANTIC FRAMEWORK.

5. RE YOUR NUMBER 7, WE TOO CONTINUE TO GET SIMILAR ARGUMENT ON U.S. PROFITING FROM MIDDLE EAST WAR AND WE ARE ANSWERING SIMILARLY. AS FOR ALLEGATION THAT U.S. SEEKS A WEAK AND DISUNITED EUROPE, WE ARE ALSO ASKING THIS RHETORICAL QUESTION: WHY SHOULD THE U.S. WHICH SELLS ABOUT 15 BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS A YEAR TO WESTERN EUROPE HAVE ANY INTEREST IN BREAKING UP SUCH A MARKET?

6. BECAUSE OF BALANCE OF PAYMENTS EFFECTS OF INCREASED OIL PRICES, WE ARE ALSO PUSHING IDEA THAT NOW THERE IS ALL THE MORE REASON TO LIBERALIZE WORLD TRADE IN ORDER TO PREVENT RECOURSE TO PROTECTIONIST POLICIES SINCE FRANCE NOW MORE THAN EVER NEEDS NEW MARKETS FOR ITS PRODUCTS (EXPORTS), THIS IS NO TIME TO CONSIDER PUTTING OFF TOKYO ROUND OF TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.
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